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**Final Feasibility Study Report, Carpenter Site, Borough of  
Wharton, Morris County, New Jersey**

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The Marine and Wetlands Protection Branch (MWPB) has reviewed the referenced document at your request. The 14.6-acre site was used for the manufacture of vinyl wall coverings between 1943 and 1987. The Rockaway River occurs along the southern border of the site, and the property is located in a mixed commercial/industrial/residential area. Contaminants of concern in ground water and soil include xylene, ethylbenzene, PCBs, and lead.

The document mentions a wetland report (January 1992) which includes a delineation and evaluation of potential remedial impacts. MWPB suggests that a copy of this report be made available for our review.

Rockaway River sediments contain five polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons and one metal (antimony) whose concentrations exceed NOAA guidance values. According to the document, an ecological assessment of river sediments and benthic fauna is being conducted (page 1-21,29). MWPB welcomes the opportunity to review this assessment document when a draft copy has been issued.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact John Cantilli at extension 6081.

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